Dar calls for stronger multilateralism, geo-economics at Margalla Dialogue

Says Pakistan stands for engagement with all in region

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DEPUTY Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar speaks at the inaugural session of the two-day Margalla Dialogue in Islamabad on Tuesday. — White Star

ISLAMABAD: Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar has underscored the need for furthering multilateralism, promoting geo-economics in the regional context and strengthening the role of United Nations for coping with the challenges of a world faced with erosion of values and increase in unilateral bloc politics.

"Failing to maintain international peace and security is the biggest challenge, and cannot be abandoned half-way," declared Mr Dar while speaking at the inaugural session of the two-day Margalla Dialogue on Tuesday.

The theme of the Margalla Dialogue is 'The future of global order: cooperation or confrontation'. The event organised by Islamabad Policy Research Institute (IPRI) has brought scholars, diplomats, policymakers and academicians from around the world.

Mr Dar said Pakistan stood for engagement with all in the region, so that the bounties of trade, connectivity and development could bolster. He said Pakistan also remained determined to capitalise on inherited advantages for the prosperity and betterment for people and the region by prioritising geo-economics, which was one of the cardinal pillars of engagement with the international partners.

Mr Dar said the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) was the second biggest multilateral forum, and must come up with a role in this age of revulsion.

The deputy PM also mentioned Chinese President Xi Jinping's Global Development Initiative, and praised it for ushering across the world a phase of trade and development. He said global financial institutions must further equitable development and reform for the collective good of all member states, so that sustainable development was attained. He, however, said the policies of financial institutions should not be discriminatory.

Mr Dar also highlighted the existential threat of climate change, stating it cannot be delayed any further. He hoped that the upcoming COP-30 Summit in Brazil would go a long way in addressing climate challenges, and usher in a new hope for nature-impacted states.

"To break the vicious cycle of poverty and rising global inequality, we must confront the imbalances in international economic relations," he added.

Speaking on the occasion, former senator Mushahid Hussain Syed said India's efforts to impose a new-normal of terror had failed, and the four-day war was a case in point. He alleged that India harboured expansionist designs against nine states in the region, including Tibet.

He mentioned China as a rising power, and praised it for blanketing a trade canvas with more than 130 countries of the world.

Dr Victor Gao, Chair Professor at Soochow University and Vice-President of the Centre for China and Globalization, said Pakistan had been the winner in the war with India. "In fact, it was a victory of peace over war", he said.

Dr Gao termed the bilateral relationship as China-Pakistan-Plus, and said Islamabad should continue to play a positive role with the US.

"If you want to impose nuclear war on China, China will wipe you out with nuclear retaliation," he warned. Associate Prof at St Petersburg University Dr Anastasia emphasised on the development and sustainability of the Eurasian security and connectivity architecture.

IPRI President retired Lt-Gen Majid Ehsan said the sixth edition of Margalla Dialogue was an opportunity to look threadbare into issues and problems confronted with a world sliding towards multipolarity and devise measures for cooperation and engagement. He referred to the age of social media where genuine and true information itself has become a dilemma, and moreover, the trends of populism are posing new challenges to the established order. He talked of 3Ds - de-dollarisation, democratisation and demilitarisation, stating that the world is confronted with new-age mysteries such as climate change and development at par.

Peace, security and development interconnected: Gilani

ISLAMABAD: Senate Chairman Syed Yousuf Raza Gilani has said that peace, security and development are inseparable pillars of progress, as "without peace and security, no nation can build and without development, peace remains fragile." These views were expressed by the Senate chairman while delivering his address at the inaugural session of the two-day Inter-Parliamentary Speakers' Conference here on Tuesday.

The conference, which has brought together parliamentary leaders from across the world under the theme "Peace, Security and Development" was inaugurated by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif.

Welcoming the delegates on behalf of the Parliament and the people of Pakistan, the Senate chairman said he was privileged to host this historic gathering in the nation's capital. He expressed profound gratitude to Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif for attending the event, terming his presence a reflection of Pakistan's commitment to dialogue, cooperation, and multilateralism.

Mr Gilani described the conference a defining moment in the evolution of parliamentary diplomacy, uniting parliaments from both the Global North and the Global South under one roof to deliberate on shared challenges and collective solutions.

Highlighting the contemporary global context, he noted that the world today faced unprecedented instability driven by wars, economic shocks, climate change, and rapid technological disruptions. "Peace is unravelling before us — from Gaza to Sudan to Occupied Kashmir," he said, adding that in such testing times, parliaments must serve as guiding lights, promoting understanding and cooperation across divides.

He underscored the need for a broader and inclusive understanding of security that encompasses economic and climate resilience, environmental sustainability, food and water security, and digital integrity. Citing Pakistan's negligible contribution to global emissions yet disproportionate vulnerability to climate change, he termed it "a moral and practical imperative" for parliaments to act collectively before the cost becomes unbearable.

Reaffirming Pakistan's enduring commitment to global peace and security under the leadership of President Asif Zardari and Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, the Senate chairman recalled Pakistan's role as a frontline state in the fight against terrorism and its significant participation in United Nations peacekeeping missions.

He noted that despite provocations on Pakistan's eastern and north-western borders, the country had demonstrated maturity and restraint.

"We have consistently extended the hand of dialogue, for peace is a two-way street that requires reciprocity," he said.

Mr Gilani emphasised that parliaments were not bystanders in the pursuit of peace and prosperity but "drivers of trust, builders of consensus, and voices of the people when the world grows uncertain."

Calling for practical outcomes from the conference, he urged the delegates to move beyond promises and share bold, implementable solutions that reflect the diverse experiences of participating nations.

Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Speakers' Conference Ek Nath Dhakal expressed profound appreciation to the government and people of Pakistan for hosting the conference in Islamabad. — Staff Reporter

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Procurement of Biological Products (Vaccines & Injections)

PPHI SINDH is not for profit organization, registered under section 42 of the Companies Act 2017, invites sealed bids for the Procurement of "Biological Products (Vaccines & Injections)" from bidders having relevant experience on the Single Stage - two-envelope bidding Procedure.

A complete set of bidding documents for Biological Products (Vaccines & Injections) containing basic eligibility and evaluation criteria and terms and conditions may be obtained separately from the Head office of PPHI SINDH Karachi by submitting a pay order of amount Rs. 1,000 in the name of PPHI SINDH (Non-refundable) on submission of the application.

S-No	Description	Bid Security	Date & Time for Submission of Bids	Date & Time for Opening of Bids	Address for Receiving of Tender Documents & Submission of Bids
01	Procurement of Biological Products (Vaccines & Injections)	1% of bid price	28th November 2025 Friday at 2:15 pm	28th November 2025 Friday at 3:15 pm	Procurement Wing & Conference Hall, Respectively C-27/1 Block-2 Clifton, Near Umer Sharif Park Karachi

1. The bidding documents will be issued at the address given above from 13-11-2025 to 27-11-2025 during working days (10.00 am to 4.00 pm).
2. The bid will be opened publicly in the presence of bidders or their authorized representatives who choose to present as per the schedule given above.
3. In case of announcement of a Public Holiday or any unfavorable circumstances, the tenders/bids will be submitted and opened on the next working day. Other terms & Conditions, venue, and time will remain the same as mentioned in this Notice.
4. All bids shall include all applicable Govt taxes, and these will be deducted from the bills/invoices, according to Govt. Rules/Policy.
5. Bid Security @1% of the total value of the bid/contract must be submitted by the firms in the form of Pay Order/Demand Draft and must be attached in original with "Financial Bid" in favor of PPHI SINDH, otherwise, the bid will not be considered and will be treated as non-responsive and rejected.

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Karachi Metropolitan University

REF/AC/TENDER/03/2025 Date/11/11/2025

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

KARACHI METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY invites e-bids through E-Pak Acquisition and Disposable System (EPADS) from well reputed firms/manufacturers/authorized agents/distributors of manufacturers, who are registered with Income Tax, Sales Tax departments etc, who are listed on Active Taxpayers List for the following procurement as per Rule 46(2) of SPP Rules 2010 "Single Stage-Two Envelopes Procedure" amended up to date.

S-No	Name of Work	Tender Fee	Completion Time	Bid Security	Date of Purchase	Date of submission / opening Bids	Tender Request
1-	Procurement of Air Conditioners for various departments at Karachi Metropolitan University.	Rs.3000/-	01 month	5% of quoted bid price	12-11-2025 to 29-11-2025 10:00 AM	29-11-2025 at 10:30AM Opening 29-11-2025 at 11:00 AM.	Registrar. Karachi Metropolitan University

1. Bidding Documents containing Detailed Terms of Condition can be viewed/downloaded from https://portalsindh.eprocure.gov.pk/#/supplier/registration and University website https://thekmu.edu.pk.
2. Electronic Bids should be submitted through EPADS only. Manual bids shall not be received. Interested bidders are required to register on the EPAD System at the link https://sindh.eprocure.gov.pk/#/supplier/registration for tender proceeding/submission/opening/of electronic bids.
3. The original instrument of tender fee Rs. 3,000/- (Non-refundable) for each procurement and bid security @ five percent (5%) of the total quoted bid value in favour of **"Karachi Metropolitan University"** must reach the procuring agency before the deadline for submission of e-bids, which will be opened on the same day, as per schedule mentioned above.

Note:

a. For any query /e-bidding please contact on below given details:-
IFTIKHAR AHMED MALLAH
Project Coordinator, Karachi
Metropolitan University,
Tel:021-111-111-568, 36670001
Email: coordinator.mr@thekmu.edu.pk
b. In case the Govt. announces any public holiday or any unfavorable circumstances the tender/bids shall be submitted/opened on the next working day, at the same venue and time.
C. The purchaser reserves the right to reject any or all bids under the relevant provisions of SPP Rules 2010.
d. In case of any difficulty, prospective bidders may contact the EPADS Helpline 051-111-137 237 during working days or hours.

Registrar,
Karachi Metropolitan University

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NO: XEN/(EWDK)/TC/G-55/2025-26/Karachi / 380 Phone # 021-99231985 Email: xen.ewd.korangi@gmail.com Dated: 10-11-2025

NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

1. The Executive Engineer, Education Works District Korangi Karachi invites sealed bids/ tenders through E-PADS on composite schedule of rate (CSR) Non Schedule Items basis or on both from interested firms / contractors or persons as SPPRA Rule 2010 amended upto date. Following works under Annual development Program
2. In the relevant field and appropriate category for the following works
3. List of works is as given below.

S.No	NAME OF WORK	Estimated Cost	Category Registration in the PEC	Earnest Money of Bid	Tender fee	Completion Period
1	CONSTRUCTION OF GOVERNMENT SPECIAL EDUCATION & REHABILITATION CENTRE AT BIN QASIM TOWN KARACHI					
(i)	BLOCK A	31.337	C-5	1566850	5000	24 Months
(ii)	BLOCK B & C/W	39.199	C-5	1959950	5000	24 Months
2	CONSTRUCTION OF DIRECTOR GENERAL SPDPA OFFICE AT KARACHI					
(i)	BLOCK A	32.207	C-5	1610350	5000	24 Months
(ii)	BLOCK B	37.270	C-5	1863500	5000	24 Months
3	CONSTRUCTION OF DOWN SYNDROME & NAURODIVERSITY REHABILITATION AT KARACHI					
(i)	BLOCK A	47.766	C-5	2388300	5000	24 Months
(ii)	BLOCK B	48.982	C-5	2449100	5000	24 Months
4	CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL FLOOR OF @ C-ARTS CENTRE GULISTAN-E-JAUHAR KARACHI					
(i)	BLOCK A	28.106	C-5	1405300	5000	24 Months
(ii)	BLOCK B	25.495	C-5	1274750	5000	24 Months
5	CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL FLOOR OF SE&R COMPLEX GULISTAN-E-JAUHAR KARACHI					
(i)	BLOCK A	39.115	C-5	1955750	5000	24 Months
(ii0	BLOCK B	39.133	C-5	1956650	5000	24 Months
(iii)	BLOCK C	41.320	C-5	2066000	5000	24 Months

4. Bidding is open to all interested bidder.
5. Method of procurement i.e. Single Stage- Two Envelope.
6. Bid Validity Period is (90) days.

S.NO.	PARTICULARS	Ist Attempt	In case of un-respondd works 2nd Attempt
1	Date of issuances of Bidding / Tender Documents	Uploading on E-PADS website can be downloaded from there only from the date after Uploading , up to dated 13-11-2025	Uploading on E-PADS website can be downloaded from there only from the date after Uploading , up to date:28-11-2025
2	Dead line for submission of E-Bids	On 28-11-2025 up to 9.30 A.M in the Office of the undersigned @Special Education Complex Department of Empowerment of Person with Disabilities Street No.31 Block-15 Gulistane-e-Johar.	On 12-12-2025 up to 9.30 A/M in the office of the undersigned @Special Education Complex Department of Empowerment of Person with Disabilities Street No.31 Block-15 Gulistane-e-Johar.
		Department of Empowerment of Person with Disabilities Street No.31 Block-15 Gulistan-e-Johar.	Education Complex Department of Empowerment of Person with Disabilities Street No.31 Block-15 Gulistane-e-Johar.

TERMS & CONDITION

a) Under following condition bid will be rejected.
   i. Bids not accompanied by the bids security of required amount and form.
   ii. Bids received after specified date and time.
   iii. Black listed firms.
b) Bid Validity Period is (90) Ninety days.
c) Procuring Agency reserve the right to reject all or any bids subject to the relevant provisions of Sindh Public Procurement Rules 2010 and amendment upto date
d) Copy of CNIC of Proprietor / Partners
e) Name address telephone, fax numbers and e-mail address of firm / individual, ownership and organizational structure of the firm, year of establishment.
f) Bid received without supporting documents as mentioned / required in eligibility criteria would be declared as non-responsive bid. The procurement agency reserve the right to cross verify any information provided with the bidding documents in order to keep verification or authenticity of provided information.
g) In case of a representative must have authority on stamp paper / Company letter head from his firm / company's owner including details of owners along with CNIC
h) In case, if the date of opening or last date of submission is declared as a public holiday by the Government or the undersigned remains out of office / headquarter or non-working day due to any reason, next working day shall be deemed to be the date for last submission and opening of tenders accordingly. The time and venue shall remain the same.
i) Only Electronic Bids will be accepted, no physical Bid can be submitted.
j) The "Technical Proposals" shall be evaluated by the Procurement Committee to determine technical qualification in accordance with the evaluation criteria and mandatory requirements specified in the Bidding Documents. Financial proposals of bids that are found technically non-responsive or disqualified shall remain un-opened. Conversely, the "Financial Proposals" of technically qualified bidders shall be opened publicly at a time, date and venue that will be announced and communicated to all bidders in advance. The bid determined to be the Most Advantageous though not necessarily the lowest submitted price shall be accepted (As per Rule-49 of SPPRA Rules-2010 (Amended up-to-date).
k) Initially Technical Bids will be opened on same date at 10:00 A.M through E-PADS in the presence of bidders or their authorized representatives who shall choose to attend the bids opening session by the procuring agency's notified Committees as per SPP Rules, 2010 (Amended up-to-date).
l) The firms providing unsustainable or incorrect information are liable to disqualification and legal action.
m) The Bid Security shall be released to the unsuccessful bidders within seven days, once the contract has been signed with the successful bidder or the validity period has expired in accordance with amendments made in Rule-37, after sub-rule(5) of SPP Rules 2010 vide Notification Dated: 4th October, 2024).
n) Rate and Amount must be quoted in both words & figures, tenders must be carefully & clearly filled, and each page of Technical & Financial bid must be signed & stamped. Incomplete conditional tenders will not be accepted.
o) All clauses of Bidding Data eligibility criteria and mandatory criteria mentioned in tender / bidding documents shall have same priority, and nonfulfillment of any clause shall lead to bid rejection / disqualification.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA (MANDATORY).

i. Registration with Pakistan Engineering Council in the relevant category or above discipline keeping in view the bid cost.
ii. Proof of experience and details of similar nature of work(s) executed during the last five years indicating the name of project / scheme / works with cost, date of commencement & completion in accordance with amendments in SPPRA Regulations Clause # 2.16, 7.9(I) vide Notification Dated: 10th April, 2023 (With Satisfactory Completion Certificate duly supported by documentary evidences viz: Work orders / Contract Agreements & Satisfactory Project Completion Certificates by concerned Department), the information about experiences of work(s) executed previously can also be verified from SPPRA web site:
(a). At least one similar nature of work having minimum cost 80% of the estimated cost of work; OR
(b). At least two similar nature works each having minimum cost 50% of the estimated cost.
iii. Detail of equipment's machinery and transport owned by firm / contractor. (As per PEC Category) as per Bidding Data.
iv. Undertaking on E-Stamp Paper Of Rs.500 by name of Firm & Procuring Agency regarding Non-Black Listing of Firm previously by Government's Autonomous Bodies as Executing Agency.
v. Undertaking on E-Stamp Paper Of Rs.500 by name of Firm & Procuring Agency regarding List of Partner / Partnership Deed with Director/ Proprietor etc with complete information along with Power of Attorney /Sole Proprietor.
vi. Undertaking on E-Stamp Paper Of Rs.500 by name of Firm & Procuring Agency that information submitted by Bidder/ Firms is correct.
vii. If the characters disfigure /disrupt the tenders his earnest money will be tort tied in favor of the government exchequer besides taking punitive action as per rules.
viii. Non responsive bidders, if found will be excluded from the list of valid tender and firms will be reported for taking penal action against them.
ix. The firm, which have quoted rates extra below than SSPRA Clause 11.3.4 with current amendment from the engineer's estimate will be rejected. Bid wil be submitted through E-Pads system along with the bid security of Fixed Amount in Shape of Pay order / Call Deposite On Account Of Bidder In Favor of Undersign (must be attached with technical documents of E-Bid & also be uploaded on the E-Pads Website)(Amended in Rule-37nfor sub-rule(1) of sppra vide notification dated: 25-08-2025)
x. Incomplete / Conditional bids will not be entertained and will be rejected out rightly.
xi. If any fake documents arte found than the tender is liable to be rejected / cancelled without any compensation, with penalty as per rules.
xii. Certificate of Professional Tax / ISO 45001 / 9001
xiii. Bank Turnover / Balance / Maintenance Certificate for Account Holder.
xiv. last five years duly supported by the Bank Statement, Annual Tax Returns & Audit report (last 5 years each) in accordance with amendments made in SPPRA Regulations Clause # 2.16, 7.9(i) vide Notification Dated: 10th April, 2023. Theses must be issued by Chartered Accountant firms registered with ICAP (Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan). Statement from any otherfirms will not be accepted.
xv. Bio-data of the technical staff permanently employed with evidence and available with the firm / contractor (Attach evidence of proposed staff) (List is mentioned in bidding documents).
xvi. List of Equipment, Machinery, Vehicles, available with the contractor for this job with location (Details of ownership / hired) (List is mentioned in bidding documents).
xvii. Bidder shall be an active Tax Payer List (ATL) of Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) and Sindh Revenue Board (SRB) as the case may be, failing to which the bidder shall not be eligible to take part in bid.

NOTE:
1) Pay Order / Call Deposite along with Application must be Submitted Physically
2) All Affidavis Must Be Submitted Physically

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